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A DEMOCRATIC OPPORTUNITY

PRESENTLY THE nominations for municipal officers will be made. This interesting period is but a few weeks away. The Democratic party in Bridgeport has an opportunity. To be victorious it has but to nominate candidates pleasing to the citizenship, who are anxious to make a change in the methods in use in the city hall, but not at all anxious to go from the frying pan into the fire.

It seems reasonably certain that the November election will be the last held under partisan auspices. The electors have given very plain evidence that they prefer the commission plan, and there is every reason to suppose their will must be effective before a second municipal election is due.

But there is the interval in which the present system will be operated, which is an opportunity the Democracy should not overlook.

Commission government will come in under fairer auspices, and in better form, if it is drafted by a Democratic mayor and such non-partisan aids as he may select, for the committee to prepare the new charter should be, above all things, non-political in character. There would ordinarily be no reason why a Republican mayor should not supervise this work as well as any other kind of an executive, but, unfortunately, Mayor Wilson will be nominated for another term, and there are too many evidences of lukewarmness upon the part of the political machine to which the mayor will owe his nomination, toward the commission plan.

The city is tired of extravagance. It wants the public business done in a business-like way. All that the Democracy needs to bring these conditions about is a unified desire to do so, and a good platform, surmounted by strong candidates.

THE MURDER PLATE

THE PLATE attached to Becker's coffin, by his widow, was merely the expression of a tense and overwhelming grief, from Becker's widow. Of course Governor Whitman will not bring an action against her, nor permit one to be brought. He will attribute the action to the emotions of a loving and courageous woman, who was faithful to the last to a man who deserved little of the rest of the world.

If Becker had thought a little more about the rights of his wife, he would have been less inconsiderate of the rights of society, and so a tragedy might have been spared. Mrs. Becker deserves a place beside Mrs. Thaw, in the galaxy of heroines who have fought bravely in a cause to them worthy, however unworthy in the opinion of the rest of the world.

THE LOSS OF WARSAW

THE RUSSIAN WAR minister having announced to the Duma the approaching abandonment of Warsaw, it may be assumed that the fall of the city is near. This result is humiliating to the Russian arms, but not disastrous, unless General Von Mackensen shall succeed in cutting off one of the great wings of the enemy. If this should happen, the future of the Russian campaign would be seriously in doubt. Russia has the men, but to arm and equip them is, for her, a slow and difficult task, because her population is devoted to agriculture, and only to a limited extent to industrial pursuits. Napoleon once reached Moscow, but this did not give him a victory. Cold weather came and his army melted away.

Russia is a very great country. She can be damaged, but not conquered. At least, this has always been the view of military experts.

ANOTHER WARSHIP
IS DESPATCHED TO
SCENE OF REVOLT

Washington, Aug. 3.—The gunboat *Cocopa* was ordered today from Guantanamo to Port Au Prince to join Rear Admiral Caperton's squadron. Admiral Caperton, who was in the capital and at Cape Haytian yesterday.

Cape Haytian, Haiti, Aug. 3.—A Haitian commission of inquiry, including the French Archbishop of Port Au Prince and escorted by an officer of the American cruiser *Washington*, arrived here today from the Haitian capital to make an effort to bring about peace between the government troops commanded by General Bourgeois, minister of the interior in the cabinet of the late President Vilbrun Guillaume and the followers of Dr. Rosalvo Bobo.

Both leaders are aspirants for the presidency of Haiti. The authorities of Cape Haytian refused to entertain any mediatory proposals.

Speaks American, He
Tells Prosecutor

"Do you speak English, John?" "No speak English, I speak American."

The above repartee took place in city court today when John Carichuk, no address, was arraigned on the charge of assaulting Anthony Marwick, a fellow countryman. The repartee occurred between the prisoner and Assistant Prosecutor John P. Gray. Anthony works on the night shift at the Bridgeport Brass Co. While on his way to work last evening he was stopped by Carichuk who told him not to work that night as he had invitations for himself and a friend to attend a big "blowout" on Church street. The invitation was refused and Carichuk struck Marwick with a 24 inch file inflicting several lacerations on the head and body. In city court today both were the worse for the encounter and in view of this fact judgment was suspended in each case.

An anti-gas respirator said to be 100 per cent. more effective than any now in use was invented by the staff of Melbourne University, Australia.

Calais, Coveted By
Germans, Long In
Possession of England

One of the most coveted goals of German ambition is the capture of Calais, the quaint but busy old French port which is the continental terminus of the main travelled water road between England and France. For more than two centuries Calais was held by the English, then of the town beginning 568 years ago today, August 3, 1347, and continuing until 1558.

It was during the Hundred Years' War, when England and France were engaged in a struggle which continued for more than a century, that Calais fell into the hands of the English. Edward III., as grandson of Philip the Fair, claimed the French crown, and went to war about it. The Flemings recognized Edward as their king, and in the long struggle which followed, were of great assistance to the English. In 1346 Edward invaded France and defeated a French army twice as numerous as his own on the immortal field of Crecy. It was in this conflict that cannon were first used. Edward having four places well placed upon a height overlooking the battlefield, Edward then retreated to Calais, and besieged the town, which held out for 11 months before it surrendered to the English monarch.

The loss of Calais was a great blow to the French, but the English held the town for more than 200 years. It was not until 1558 that a French army led by the Duke of Guise drove the English out of their strategic stronghold. The loss of Calais marked the passing of the last vestige of the French dominions of the Plantagenets, which at one time included about half of France. Queen Mary, who was then on the throne of England, was deeply grieved by the loss of Calais, and she died a few months later, some said of a broken heart. "When I am dead," said the Queen, shortly before she breathed her last, "Calais will be found written on my heart."

This did not end the troubles for Calais, for 40 years after its recovery it was taken by the Spaniards. The Spanish reign was brief, however, and ended in 1558. Calais is a curious combination of the medieval and the strictly modern. The old town, constituting Calais proper, has an ancient citadel, and was formerly surrounded by fortifications. The modern part of the city, St. Pierre les Calais, is now a part of Calais proper, and the whole city is surrounded by modern fortifications, which have been greatly improved since the beginning of the war, and to which morasses lend a tactical strength. The population of Calais is only about 60,000, but, owing to its contiguity to the English coast, it is of immense strategic importance. The most frequented route between England and France is from Dover to Calais. It is 22 1/2 miles long, but the passage is notoriously rough, on account of the currents passing between two large sea through a narrow channel. Calais is distant 184 miles by rail from Paris.

The proposal to connect Calais and Dover by means of a tunnel has been discussed for more than a century, and within the last few months the French and British newspapers have devoted much space to a consideration of the pros and cons of the project. Mr. Mathieu was the first to seriously consider the tunnel plan, in 1862, and since then the scheme has often been revived. In 1876 actual boring commenced near Calais, but the work soon languished, and was finally abandoned. Such a tunnel would be of great military assistance to France and England at this time, and it is not unlikely that the project may become a reality within the next decade or two.

King Haakon of
Norway, 43 Today,
Shorn of All Power

Although the national flag will be displayed in great profusion throughout Norway today, and the people will enjoy the holiday in celebration of the forty-third birthday of King Haakon VII. that monarch will entertain no illusions in regard to the nature of the sentiment which prompts the public rejoicing. While personally "bosses" of Norway, and that he has about as much influence as his valet or his coachman. There is for him the consolation, however, that in being shorn of all his influence and power he has but shared the fate of all the Scandinavian monarchs, for his brother Christian X. of Denmark, and his neighbor, Gustaf V. of Sweden, are no less figureheads than himself. When the three Scandinavian monarchs met at Malmö, Sweden, last December to form a protective alliance, Haakon VII. was very tactically by taking lodging in the house of a shipbuilder's widow, while his brother Christian was the guest of a physician. While the defensive league formed on that occasion was attributed to the three kings, they had really nothing to do with it, beyond attaching their royal signatures to a document prepared after long discussions between the foreign ministers of the three nations. The kings presided at the meetings, but they were not consulted on any matter of importance. Swedish fear of Russia, now ended by a treaty between the two nations, together with the attempts of Germany to coerce the Scandinavian countries, were responsible for the alliance between Norway, Sweden and Denmark, and as a result the three countries, practically united for purposes of defense, constitute a formidable power.

Charles of Denmark before his election to the Norwegian throne a decade ago, is the second son of the late King Frederick VIII. of Denmark. The ex-Empress of Russia and the ex-Queen of Great Britain are his aunts, and King Constantine of Greece is his cousin. He is further related to the British royal family by marriage, Queen Mary being the third daughter of the late King Edward VIII. of Great Britain. The King and Queen have only one child, Crown Prince Haav, now 12 years old. When he ascended the Norwegian throne 10 years ago King Haakon was given little power or authority, and he has gradually been deprived of all his royal rights.

LOANS TO BRIDGEPORT
WORKMEN GROW LESS.

Loans made to Bridgeporters by the Morris Plan bank totaled \$12,222 for July, which is more than 1000 of decrease from the amount loaned in May. According to the bank officials this indicates that Bridgeport workmen are steadily employed.

The D. M. Read Co. The D. M. Read Co.

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August Clearance Sale in Progress

Furniture continuing until the fifteenth
All other departments until next Saturday Evening.

TAKE ADVANTAGE.

The Summer Waists

Prices on all Waists are lowered. Fine grades that have been all season \$6.00 and above, the fancy Lace Nets, Chiffons and Embroidered Novelties, are now, regardless of quality or former prices,

\$5.00

Waists that were \$5.00 and \$6.00 for \$2.50
Waists that were \$3.00 and \$3.50 for \$2.00
Waists that were \$2.00 and \$2.25 for \$1.50
Waists that were \$1.00 and \$1.25 for .75

Japanese Silk Waists

These have sold thus far for \$2.00, but there is a large lot, so they will be closed out at small profit.
Six models \$1.00 each.
Second floor.

Women's Umbrellas

Of fine corolla cloth, with plain or fancy handles, some of them silver-trimmed, also trimmed Mission Handles, sold regularly at \$1.00 for 69 cts.

Black Dress Goods

Silk and Wool Mohair, 40-inch	was \$1.25	for .98
	was \$1.50	for \$1.29
Silk and Wool Tamise	was \$1.25	for .69
Silk and Wool Crepe	was \$1.25	for .85
	was \$1.00	for .69
Silk and Wool Panama	was \$1.00	for .79
Silk and Wool Albatross	was .50	for .40

Remnants of Dress Goods

Black and Colored, all lengths.

Less 25 per cent

At the Art Department

The services of a competent instructor in all kinds of Fancy Work have been secured and all those purchasing materials at the Art Department will be taught, free of charge, any stitches or manner of working in wools, either knitting or crocheting, or any kind of embroidery that is desired.

Come and begin your Christmas Knitting.

These Special Pieces in the Sale:

For Embroidery		
Hemstitched Linen Pillow Cases,	were \$1.50	for .98
Princess Slips	were \$1.25	for \$1.00
Lace Trimmed Envelope Combinations	\$1.25	for \$1.00
Lawn Aprons, stamped,	were .25	for .15
White Linen Centers, 24-inch	were .50	for .35
White Linen Centers, lace tr.	were \$2.00	for \$1.50
Pillow Slips, stamped,	were \$1.25	for .75
Hemstitched Pillow Shams	were \$1.25	for .85
Brown Linen Oval Centers	were \$1.25	for .75
Children's White Pique Coats	were \$1.50	for \$1.00
Boys' White Pique Suits	were \$1.50	for \$1.00
Sizes for 2 years.		
Laundry Bags	were .15	for .10

Medicine Cabinets

White Enameled with plate mirror doors, fitted with bottles, drawers, etc., labeled for necessary household remedies and drugs. Were \$10.00 for \$5.00.

Window Screens

Black Enameled Steel Frames, no wood to warp, adjustable to any window.

18"	were 35 cts	for 28 cts
24"	were 40 cts	for 32 cts
30"	were 55 cts	for 44 cts

The D. M. Read Company.

RADFORD B. SMITH

FAIRFIELD AVE. VARIETY STORE BROAD ST.
CO-OPERATIVE—CAR FARE FOR CUSTOMERS
PROFIT SHARING WITH EMPLOYEES

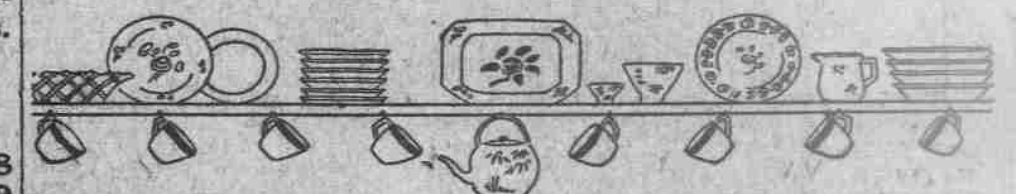
OUR WEDNESDAY SALE

At 11c—Very large and heavy Turkish towels.
At 10c—Our 12 1/2 white crinkled seersucker.
At 25c—Genuine Mosely Spitfire spark plugs, closed end.
At 12 1/2c—Wide and heavy bait net.
At 5c—Six small fish hooks for bluefish.
At 7c—Men's pad garters.
At 7c—All colors nails for chair seats, 50 in box.
At 19c—Special lot ball bearing casters, 4 for 19c.
At 7c—Good whisk brooms, 2 sizes.

Want Ads Cent a Word.

Less 10 per cent Less 20 per cent

Carpets	Furniture
Rugs	Trunks and Bags
Matting	Ardahan Rugs
Linoleum and Oil Cloth	Braided Porch Rugs
Curtains	Enameled Ware
Upholstery Fabrics	Tin and Iron Ware
Draperies	Japanned and Woodenware
Cretonnes and Art Fabrics	Nickel and Earthenware
Hammocks	Brushes for household use
Gas Ranges and Plates	Clothes Wringers
Bathroom Fixtures	Cutlery
Fireless Cookers	Window Screens
Electrical Appliances	Water Coolers
Large Woodenware	Fancy China & Dinner Sets
Ice Cream Freezers	Silverware
Vacuum Cleaners	Lamps, Gas and Electric
Clothes Baskets, Tubs and Boilers,	Portables
Refrigerators under \$15.00	Refrigerators over \$15.00



An Opportunity to Restock

China Cupboards with
Choice Pieces

All Fancy China is subject to 20 per cent., and in addition there are tables with many articles that show reductions far more than the discount.

Fine China Cups and Saucers. Beautiful specimens from French and English potteries, from China, Japan and Austria. Tea and Coffee Cups, A. D. Coffees, Bouillottes and Chocolates

at August Sale prices.

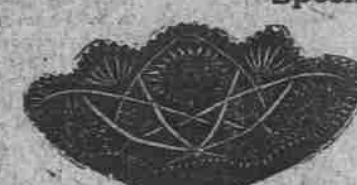
Dinner Sets subject to 20 per cent from regular price, all foreign and domestic porcelains. Sets of 100 and 112 pieces.

Stock Patterns, foreign and domestic, subject to 10 per cent., and one buys as many pieces as one chooses.

Cut Glass

The entire line included in the sale, less 10 per cent. All the late patterns in Fruit and Salad Bowls, Cream and Sugar Sets, Handled Nappies, Celery Trays, Fern Dishes, Tumblers, Goblets and all Table and Toilet Glass.

Special in Cut Glass.



One table, with odd and broken sets, small lines, including nearly all pieces, Fruit Bowls, Decanters, some a little scratched and damaged.

At half original prices.

Baccarat French Glass, Tumblers, Goblets, Finger-bowls, Cocktails, Champagnes, Claret and Cordials in this collection.

"Silex" Glass Coffee Percolators

The "Silex" Percolator is the simplest of all coffee machines and provides the quickest way of making coffee. All glass parts and fireproof. Were formerly \$5.00, \$3.00 sale price.

Gas and Oil Stove Broilers

In grill style, made of heavy cast iron with dome covers of heavy tin, 35 cts sale price.

Brush Mops and Handles

Mops of white cotton, for wet use. Black Mops, chemically treated for dry use. Three sizes of each, 50 cts each.

Oiled Mops

Of fine cord, oiled with cedar oil, to fit an ordinary mop handle, were 50 cts, for 30 cts.

Clothes Wringers

Hard maple frames with double rolls, vulcanized to the shafts. Standard makes, 10, 11 and 12 inch sizes.

Were \$3.75	for \$3.00	Were \$5.25	for \$4.20
Were \$4.25	for \$3.40	Were \$5.50	for \$4.40
Were \$4.00	for \$3.20	Were \$6.00	for \$4.80
Were \$4.75	for \$3.80	Were \$6.50	for \$5.20

Wringer Specials. A miniature wringer, suitable for small pieces, collars, laces, stockings, was \$1.50, for \$1.00. A limited number of Wringers, shopworn slightly.

Six that were \$5.00 now \$3.00
Two that were \$6.50 now \$4.50

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